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RATES AT NEW ORLEANS.

ONLY MILLIONAIRES CAN AFFORD THE PRESENT PRICES.

Said Men Say Charges Must Come Down or Confederates Can't Attend the Reunion.

(Special to The Post.)

New Orleans, February 20.—The New Orleans States has started a vigorous campaign against the exorbitant prices charged by the hotels and boarding houses of this city. The Confederates are also joining in the movement, and it is believed the rates will be forced by public opinion to come down to prices within reach of most of the people.

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THE FIRE RECORD.

Residence at Texarkana.

Texarkana, Texas, February 19.—The residence of James Oachels on North Main street, this city, was destroyed by fire to the extent of \$10,000. No insurance.

Two Residences Damaged at Cleburne.

Cleburne, Texas, February 18.—Two small houses were destroyed by fire. Mr. H. W. Baker's residence and Mrs. Jackson's house. The cause of the fire is not known.

One Bottle of Burnett's Vanilla Extract.

One bottle of Burnett's Vanilla Extract, a better than three of the doubtful kind, is worth a few cents more per bottle. It is pure and of great strength. It is the most economical brand.

Damage at Ennis.

Ennis, Texas, February 20.—The military store of Mrs. M. B. Blankenship was badly damaged by fire last night about 7 o'clock. The store is situated in the rear of the building. The loss is estimated at \$10,000.

What a fine thing

soap washing is for the makers of linens, cottons and the like. How it keeps their business clean and up to date. Others must be bought. Pearline washes so that clothes last longer. Instead of rubbing the garment away by main strength PEARLINE harmlessly cleans out the dirt. Think of the saving to clothes in a year!

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THE CHARTER BILL

Has Been Finally Disposed Of in the House by Passage.

WILLACY LOCAL OPTION BILL

Puts Pros and Antis on Same Footing and Minimizes Elections.

PROHIBITIONISTS ARE WROUGHT UP

And They Are Having a Hearing Before the House Committee—Mining Industry is to Have a Show.

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Is Expected Today. However, They Will Then Enter the Port.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE GOT OUT

And Had a Talk With Admiral Higginson, Giving Him a Welcome to the Port of Texas.

Galveston, Texas, February 20.—The second day of the battleships' visit here was almost as uneventful as the first, though the weather was not quite so bad. The four battleships got up steam this morning for the purpose of coming to Bolivar roads, but after taking a sounding it was found that there was only twenty-four feet of water at one point, this being caused by the rise and fall of the sea, which is still quite rough. Admiral Higginson then gave orders for the ships to remain where they were, and they are out of sight of land, hence had as well be in the middle of the gulf as far as the pleasure that their visit is giving the thousands of visitors who are here to see them is concerned.

No one is to blame, however, and the officers of the ships regret their inability to come in equally as much as the visitors. The ships have been trimmed so that they draw less than twenty-five feet of water, and under normal conditions ships go in and out of this harbor drawing as much as twenty-five feet seven inches, so that it is easy to see that if the sea was not so boisterous the ships could have safely come over the bar.

Admiral Higginson has expressed the intention of bringing the ships in as soon as the condition of the water justifies him in doing so. An east wind is still blowing, and this will not tend to settle the sea. A change of weather is hoped for, but it is difficult to say where the wind will come from, and if it does not they must be disappointed. There is no help for it. The officers will come ashore, however, and the entertainments which have been arranged for them will come off according to schedule.

The reception committee which had such a hard trip yesterday in attempting to visit the battleships and extend a welcome to Admiral Higginson, made a second trip this morning, but their experience of yesterday taught them better than to try to go out into the Kearsarge. They were content to stay at the hotel and wait for the ships to come in.

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